

Jews A Peril TO PROTOPOFF

May Lose Support of All
Parties by Courting
Hebrews

RUSSIAN DEMOCRACY
NOW STANDS AT BAY

Wish of "Dark Forces" to
Solve Race Issue Is
Discredited

By ISAAC DON LEVINE

The report from Petrograd that Protopopoff, Minister of the Interior, has expressed himself in favor of a speedy solution of the Jewish problem is, on its surface, one of the most confusing elements in the present Russian situation. That Protopopoff, the bitter enemy of the social forces, the hated Minister in Russia, should declare his intention at the present moment to grant full rights to the Russian Jews, is sharply in conflict with the impression created throughout the world by his recent notorious rise to power.

What then is the real reason behind Protopopoff's declaration? Why should the reactionary Minister of the Interior talk of reforms to a nation which distrusts and despises him? The answer is to be found in the fact that the minister's action is nothing but a bait to win popular support of the present Cabinet and to split the unanimous and solid ranks of the opposition.

Russian democracy is at bay to-day. The censorship is again violently gagging the press. The composition of the Imperial Council is fundamentally changed. The Duma is propped for six weeks. And, nevertheless, the power of Russian democracy is greater at the present moment than ever before. For the whole nation is united in an unprecedented degree. The army is in full accord with the sentiments of the people. And the Russian government feels that its existence is not secure without the support of the people.

Manifestoes and announcements are not new to Russia. The suffering Russian people have long ago learned their worth and meaning. Protopopoff, in making his announcement and simultaneously having the Car issue a reassuring move to the army and nation, made a risky move that may cost him his post and prove the undoing of Goltz's Cabinet.

For if anything at all is certain in the present situation in Russia, it is that the Duma and the people behind it will never agree to cooperate with Protopopoff in any capacity. Russian democracy will have nothing to do with the government so long as Protopopoff is in it. The appeal of Protopopoff will therefore remain unanswered as far as the Russian people are concerned.

But it will have an effect on Protopopoff's career in an unexpected way. It will alienate the Minister's friends and supporters, the anti-Semitic reactionary and bureaucratic elements in the high spheres. Protopopoff's political future may, therefore, be considered doomed. He lost first the support of the Left and has now forfeited the backing of the Right forces. No personality can hold out a high post in Russia to-day without the support of one of these elements. A new Cabinet crisis is consequently the next probable development in the political situation in Russia.



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KINGSLAND ARMS TO BAR FACTORY

Mayor Threatens as Powder Company Plans to Rebuild Plant

The Canadian Car and Foundry Company, whose big munitions plant at Kingsland, N. J., was destroyed on January 11, will rebuild its factory at an early date, its agents announced yesterday.

Lightweight Henry Clay, Mayor of Union Township, in which the property of the company lies, declared that his people not only would use every legal means, but, if necessary, would offer armed resistance to prevent a return of the munitions business to their community.

"We won't permit these people or anybody else making munitions to come back to our township," said Mayor Clay. "They were a menace to the place. We'll not only fight them in the courts, but we'll go out there armed and see that they do not start to rebuild. We'll not permit them to come back until they have been absolutely and completely destroyed again. The sentiment here is virtually unanimous against them. There are two local citizens who made money out of the company, but the business has been absolutely and completely destroyed here, and cost not only the public in general, but many individuals, a great deal."

Labor Menaced Town
"It took just four hours for that company's fire to wreck half a hundred of our homes," said Mayor Clay. "The officials have allowed almost two weeks to pass without doing a thing worth mentioning to make good the damage. They never have shown respect for our laws. I can prove that it was their own neglect of fire-fighting equipment that enabled the flames to spread from the building where they started."

"Then, too, they flooded the township with a class of cheap labor, so that we were forced to put on extra police."

Mayor Clay said he had been informed that the Canadian Car firm had sold its holdings to the American Car Company, which planned to erect a munitions plant. On the other hand, Nathaniel Curry, who until recently was president of the old company, declared yesterday that the rebuilding of the Canadian Car Company's plant awaited only the adjustment of its insurance claims.

Mr. Curry said that there had been "more or less" negotiations with the Russian purchasing commission, for whom his company was making munitions, and he felt assured that these would be adjusted to-day or to-morrow.

Old Employees Retained
The agency of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company has established temporary offices in Lyndhurst in the First National Bank Building. Most of the persons formerly employed at the plant offices by W. R. Harkness, superintendent, have been retained.

The Passaic County grand jurors and Prosecutor Michael Dunn visited the scene of the Du Pont explosion at Haskell, N. J., yesterday. They examined the ground to determine the distance between magazines and highways or dwellings, and questioned officials as to the amount of powder that had been stored in each building.

BANK EXAMINER STAREK OUSTED

Controller Declines Explanation of Change in 2d Federal District

W. P. MALBURN NAMED AS NEW CHIEF HERE

Removed Official Has Had Clashes with New York Bankers

Charles Starek, chief national bank examiner for the Second Federal Reserve District, with headquarters in New York, was removed yesterday by Controller John Skellon Williams without explanation. William P. Malburn, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, was appointed to take his place.

Reports that charges had been filed against the ousted chief examiner, and that he had been summoned to Washington to answer them, went unanswered at the office of the Controller of the Currency. There was nothing to add to Mr. Williams' statement, it was said.

Mr. Starek himself apparently had some idea of giving an explanation, for he invited reporters to his home in the Hotel Collingwood, on West Thirty-fifth Street, last night. When they arrived, however, Mr. Starek was not there. A telephone operator explained that Mr. Starek "had been called out unexpectedly on business of importance, and it would be impossible for him to issue any statement."

More than once Mr. Starek, who has been on leave of absence without pay since November 15, has clashed with New York bankers because of his alleged "high-handed" methods. At least one complaint against him was forwarded to Washington.

Controller Sustained Bank
This complaint was made early in 1914 by Joseph B. Martindale, president of the Chemical Bank, to the Controller of the Currency, Mr. Williams. Mr. Starek objected emphatically to Mr. Martindale's attempt to walk off with a list of its depositors. The Controller of the Currency on receiving Mr. Martindale's complaint notified him that the bank need not permit Mr. Starek to have the list of depositors.

Suit for \$5,000 was brought against Mr. Starek in January, 1914, by the Merchants' National Bank for alleged damages suffered by the bank as a result of the Controller's action. The knowledge of officials of the bank. One of the documents was a cancelled check for \$250,000, drawn by the cashier and payable to F. de C. Sullivan, an attorney at law, who was then acting as counsel for the bank.

Bankers regarded both of these affairs as too far in the past to have any effect in his removal, and had long ago forgotten Mr. Starek as an official whose Washington connections were unassailable. His removal came as a surprise.

The Controller's statement follows: "William P. Malburn, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, has to-day resigned that office and has accepted the office of chief national bank examiner for the Second Federal Reserve District, with headquarters at New York City, vice Charles Starek, removed."

"Mr. Malburn is by training and experience peculiarly well qualified for this important office. Before he became Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in March, 1914, Mr. Malburn was engaged in the active and successful practice of law in Denver for over ten years. Prior thereto he had for thirteen years practiced law in the operation of the National City Bank in Colorado, principally in the City of Denver."

"As Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Malburn has had general supervision of the fiscal business of the Treasury Department, including the office of the Controller of the Currency."

Mr. Malburn's salary as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury was \$35,000. In his new position it will be \$15,000. He will also be relieved of the two-year bar, which would have prevented him from associating himself with any banking firm for two years after severing his connection with the Treasury Department. Since October 15, Charles F. Richmond, chief of the reports division of the Controller's office, has been acting chief examiner.

'NEVER SAW RAE,' OSBORNE CRIES

Lawyer Dramatically Ends Government's Case Against Safford

WITNESSES BUILD UP HIS ALIBI

Two Women Tell of Wedding of Wax in 1914 to Mrs. Nye

The government brought its case against Franklin D. Safford to a dramatic close in the United States District Court yesterday afternoon, when James W. Osborne cried vehemently that he had never seen Rae Tanner until she appeared at the hearing before Commissioner Clarence S. Houghton on March 24, 1915, two weeks after she had brought a \$50,000 breach of promise suit against him.

"When was the first time you ever saw this woman?" William Rand, Jr., Special District Attorney, asked.

Mr. Osborne turned toward the jury. Then, with his face flushed, his eyes snapping behind his spectacles and his voice trembling, he leaned forward and cried:

"Never Saw Rae Tanner
"On my honor as a gentleman, on my oath as an American citizen and on my standing as a lawyer I never saw this young woman until she appeared before Commissioner Houghton."

Mr. Osborne was the last witness called by the government in rebuttal. He corroborated the testimony of other lawyers and of court stenographers, that in November and December, 1914, when Rae Tanner says that she was with Oliver Osborne, he was in Providence. He was subjected to a vigorous cross-examination by Benjamin Slade, attorney for Safford, particularly as to how he had spent Christmas Eve, 1914, when Rae Tanner said that she talked to Oliver Osborne.

On December 24 I left my office about 6:30 o'clock," he said. "I bought two boxes of candy at the Mary Elizabeth candy store and I went home to my wife in a taxi cab."
Several witnesses were produced by the government to strengthen the alibi for Mr. Osborne. Fred H. McNish, of 55 West Eleventh Street, an attorney, was called to the stand. He testified that Mr. Osborne in the Providence litigation, and that Mr. Osborne was in the Rhode Island city practically all of December and about half of November, 1914.

Frank Beynon, of 621 West 135th Street, a teacher of chess, testified that he played chess with Mr. Osborne at the Manhattan Club on October 17 and December 24, 1914, and John Kraus, of 137 West Seventh Street, steward at the Chess Club in 1914, identified entries in his charge book which tended to show that James W. Osborne was at the club on October 17, 12, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27 and 30; November 1, 2, 5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 17, 20, 21, 25 and 26, and December 4, 5, 11, 19, 22, 23, 24 and 25.

The government also produced in the stand two identified witnesses in the case. Lillian Brooks Miller, of 436 West Twenty-fourth Street, a sister of Mrs. Ethel Brooks Nye, Mrs. Nye was also on the stand.

Two Identified Wax
Both identified Charles H. Wax as the man who married Mrs. Nye in 1914 under the name of Maurice Mason Nye. They also identified as belonging to him a trunk which Mrs. Stewart Denham, of 161 East Sixtieth Street, swore had been left at her boarding house by the man she knew as Charles H. Wax and Oliver Osborne.

Wax was in the courtroom throughout the afternoon, and when Mrs. Nye was on the stand he betrayed great interest in the proceedings than at any time since the trial began.

The defence will begin the presentation of its case in rebuttal to-day.

WOMEN AIDS BID MRS. BYRNE EAT
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this morning," she said. "but they wouldn't let me speak to her. Then I went to the pier at East Twenty-sixth Street, where the boat for Blackwell's Island leaves. I wore my gorgeous clothes, a yellow coat and a purple hat, so that if she caught a glimpse of me through the window she would recognize me. I said to myself, 'I was standing by her. They must have outwitted me some way. I waited for two hours, but she did not appear.'"

"I am going to make an attempt to see her to-morrow, if they won't let me there'll be trouble."

DRIVE PLAN FOES GAIN A NEW ALLY

Real Estate Owners' Head Points Out Flaws in Riverside Contract

APPRAISERS AND COUNSEL SCORED

Women Dissatisfied After Conference with Mayor and Prendergast

Opponents of the proposed Riverside Drive track extension contract have now the backing of the United Real Estate Owners' Association, which yesterday announced that it was opposed to certain important features of the project. In a statement issued by Stewart Browne, its president, these supposed flaws were pointed out, as were points in the plan's favor.

Mr. Browne summed up the situation in this way:

"The additional franchise is worth \$50,000,000; the railroad pays nothing. It can, therefore, afford to tunnel the whole way. The city must retain the ownership of all water rights west of the railroad tracks. The railroad tracks must not interfere with New Jersey railroads coming into Manhattan."

"The land appraisals should be made by two outside experts; those selected are not such. The question of land titles and other legal points raised by objections should be passed upon by prominent outside counsel in whom the Mayor has confidence. The public, so far, has no confidence in the present appraisers or in the Corporation Counsel, for reasons we need not state here."

Circular letters and other literature are being sent to everybody in any way remotely interested in the project by the numerous civic bodies that have expressed themselves as desiring the fullest public hearings before the city enters into a contract with the railroad. The committee of which Reginald P. Bolton is secretary, composed of numerous reform bodies, will participate in the hearings both here and at Albany. The sessions of the Board of Estimate will convene on February 20.

Mrs. Charles Austin Bryan headed a delegation of members of the Women's League for the Preservation of Riverside Park which conferred yesterday with Mayor Mitchell and Controller Prendergast in the office of the latter. She said afterward that the women were far from satisfied with the result of their talk.

The officials agreed to hold at least one more conference with the women. It is proposed to have the women visit the site and have every phase of it explained in detail.

The Senate, according to word received from Albany last night, will hold a public hearing on February 6 in the Senate chamber there to consider the Ottinger-Ellenbogen bill, which would repeal the act of 1911, giving the Board of Estimate power to negotiate the Riverside Drive improvement contract.

WOMAN ACTS AS SPEAKER IN OREGON LEGISLATURE
None of Men Smoke While She Wields the Gavel
Salem, Ore., Jan. 24.—A woman presided as Speaker over the Oregon House of Representatives to-day for the first time. Speaker Robert N. Stanfield retired shortly after the session opened and turned the gavel over to Mrs. Alexander Thompson, a Representative. She held the chair until noon.

None of the fifty-nine men on the floor smoked during her rule.

Strike Ends 10-Cent Shaves
Peter Allegra, the I. W. W. leader in charge of Brooklyn's barber strike, said yesterday that the strike had abolished the 10-cent shave and that the cost hereafter would be 15 cents.

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40 INDIAN RULERS MEET IN DELHI TO ADVISE BRITAIN

Delhi, India, Nov. 20 (correspondence).—This ancient city, which for centuries has played such an important part in the annals of India, has again been the scene of a history-making event. Forty powerful Indian princes and chiefs, rulers over great territories and representing untold wealth and influence, have been meeting here in conference, at the invitation of the Viceroy, to consider questions of general importance to their states and people, and to render advice received by the British government on certain matters. Thus a notable precedent has been established, for while two very small conferences have been held previously for the discussion of problems relating to the higher colleges for the education of chiefs' sons, never before have general subjects affecting the native states as a whole come up for debate.

One possibility, widely discussed, is that these annual conferences may ultimately develop into a council which will have a voice in the government of the empire as a whole. Just a hint of this was contained in the Viceroy's address of welcome at the opening of the session.

Great weight also is attached to the fact that so many of the rulers should meet at the invitation of the Viceroy at this crucial time in the world war. Their mere presence in the capital city is interpreted as a tribute of loyalty to England, and, in addition to this, an unqualified statement of adherence to the throne was made in the name of the conference by the Maharajah Gaekwar of Baroda during his answer to the closing speech of the Viceroy.

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England Forced to Sacrifice \$1,750,000,000 U. S. Securities

Sir Felix Schuster Sees Chance to Recover Money After the War, but Says Loss of Trade Balance Menaces British Nation

London, Jan. 24.—Sir Felix Schuster, speaking to-day at the annual meeting of the Union of London and Smiths Bank, Ltd., of which he is the governor, discussed the British financial situation. Regarding operations in the United States Sir Felix said:

"In addition to loans a great many American securities have been sold. It has been estimated that \$1,750,000,000 of American securities have been sold, but it is impossible to speak with certainty of the figures, which, however, are very large. It must be remembered we are financing not only our own but our allies' requirements and that the whole burden falls on our exchange."

"After the war all efforts must be directed to developing our industries to enable them to compete successfully in all markets of the world. The elimination of everything not essential."

which we are now making to the Allies, and the place of the foreign securities sold and should in a short time enable us to redeem the foreign indebtedness incurred.

"Although the short term paper with which we have financed the war largely in the past is somewhat dangerous and must not be carried to excess, it must be remembered that the treasury bill is an instrument particularly suited to our methods of finance, replacing to a large extent the commercial bill, which has disappeared owing to the war."

"The country's foreign trade has maintained itself remarkably well, but the adverse balance of trade is staggering and constitutes one of the most serious and most urgent questions which may enter our consideration as a part of the community. It is a factor which threatens the whole economic position of the country and can be rectified only by a serious reduction of our imports and by the elimination of everything not essential."

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Watch for him beginning Tuesday, February 6th, in

The New York Tribune

Illustration of a man in a suit and hat, possibly a politician or official, looking towards the right.